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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

The following references have been cited in the International Phase of the above-identified application.

- DE 198 54 259 discloses a heat-sealing machine. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to claims 1 - 6. No full translation is available at this time, however, attached is an English language abstract.

- U.S. Patent 5,466,326 discloses a continuous motion heat seal control. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to claims 1 - 6.

- DE 42 30 882 discloses a controlling seam quality in welding thermoplastic sheet - by constantly measuring roller pressure, comparing with set value using computer, and adjusting roller speed accordingly. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to claims 1 - 6. No full translation is available at this time, however, attached is an English

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language abstract.

- U.S. Patent 6,471,804 discloses a rotary hot air welder and stitchless seaming. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to claims 1 - 6.

- DE 91 14 932. The reference has been cited under Category A as being relevant to International claims 1 - 6. No English translation is available at this time.

Consideration of the above references is requested.

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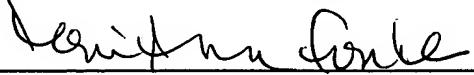
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U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Ex- aminer Initial	Document No.	Date	Name	Class	Sub- class	Filing Date
	<u>5,466,326</u>	<u>Nov. 14, 1995</u>	<u>Cherney</u>			<u>Oct. 6, 1994</u>
	<u>6,471,803</u>	<u>Oct. 29, 2002</u>	<u>Pelland et al.</u>			<u>April 24, 2000</u>

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	<u>DE 198 54 259</u>	<u>July 1, 1999</u>	<u>Germany</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>DE 42 30 882</u>	<u>March 17, 1994</u>	<u>Germany</u>			<u>No</u>
	<u>DE 91 14 932</u>	<u>Feb. 6, 1992</u>	<u>Germany</u>			<u>No</u>

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